

FRANCE VOLONTAIRES – VOLUNTEERING CENTRE, INDIA CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

VOLUNTEER FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CIVIC SERVICE MISSION IN FRANCE

About France Volontaires

France Volontaires is a platform for International Volunteers for Exchange and Solidarity. Functional in India since 2009, it strives to strengthen ties between various stake-holders involved in international solidarity through its Volunteering missions. An autonomous body operating under the aegis of the **Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs**, Government of France, it brings together the State, local authorities as well as public and private sector entities around missions of general interest for the public. France Volontaires is currently present in more than 50 countries globally through its 25 Volunteering Centers.

About the Civic Service Agency in France – *l'Agence du Service Civique*

The Civic Service Agency in France regularly hosts and sends international volunteers in coordination with stake-holders (partners, members, public & private sector organizations) who have a common goal of inculcating values of social cohesion and good citizenship through Volunteering missions across geographies by:

- Promoting different forms of volunteering linked with Sustainable Development Goals 2030
- Strengthening and sharing of skills & competencies amongst Volunteers and youth in general
- Helping volunteers to better understand their social, political, and cultural environment and thus contribute towards a healthy society that is free of inequalities

About the International Civic Service Mission, France Volontaires & the Territorial Collectivity of Corsica – France

The Territorial Collectivity of Corsica, Government of France, - CDC *Collectivité de Corse* – that is co-funding this Civic Service Mission, with the participation of the *Lycée Agricole de Sartène* i.e, the Host Institution, along with France Volontaires are recruiting an Indian Volunteer for a Civic Service Mission that will start in November 2022 and go on till June 2023 at the Campus AgriCorsica of the Agricultural Higher Secondary School of Sartène – the *Lycée Agricole de Sartène* in Corsica – France.

This mission promotes skill enhancement linked with language learning, sustainable development and inter-cultural exchange in an educational establishment that is situated on the Campus of a reputed Agricultural Higher-secondary school in the region of Corsica, known as the *Campus AgriCorsica, Lycée Agricole de Sartène* which is the Host Institution for this Civic Service Mission in France.

This mission will be conducted as per the framework laid down within a tripartite agreement signed by the host institution, the Volunteer from India and the Civic Service Agency. The selection of this candidate will be done in India in close coordination with the Local Guardian of the Volunteer from the Host Institution.

Before applying it is necessary that the candidates go through the websites of France Volontaires – <u>www.france-volontaires.org</u>, of the Host Institution - <u>https://epl.sartene.educagri.fr/</u>, as well as that of the Agence du Service Civique - <u>https://www.service-civique.gouv.fr/</u>

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Eligibility criteria / Profile of the Volunteer :

- a. Motivated to participate in this Civic Service Mission in France, with adequate knowledge and/or experience of Volunteering and what it entails to make it as productive and enriching as possible in an educational set-up of a different culture
- b. Ability to learn, adapt, evolve and contribute within the context of the host institution, i.e. a dynamic learning environment in a Higher-secondary school (*Lycée Agricole de Sartène*) in a rural set-up
- c. Aged between 18 to 25 years as on 01st November 2022 with an understanding of Volunteering as a tool to bring about a healthy and positive change in society
- d. Keen interest in contributing towards rural development and specifically towards SDGs
- e. Familiarity with language learning and teaching pedagogies will be an asset
- f. Knowledge of French and/or any other European language desirable
- g. Well versed in English and possessing substantial knowledge of Indian culture and civilisation.

Selection procedure of identifying, preparing & accompanying the Volunteer for this Civic Service Mission & important dates :

After short-listing of the candidate(s), a 1st round of Interview will be conducted through videoconferencing with Representative(s) of France Volontaires – India : **Between 25th June - 05th July 2022** (precise dates will be communicated to the selected candidates)

Final interview with the Volunteer's Local Guardian from the Campus AgriCorsica de *Lycée Agricole de Sartène* & the Country Director of France Volontaires – India : **Between 11th July** and **15th July**

Schedule for pre-departure training will be provided to the selected Volunteer approximately 2 months before departure, i.e. in **August - September 2022**.

France Volontaires will provide all necessary assistance and support to prepare the selected Volunteer before departure and during the mission in France. The selected Volunteer will be accompanied during the entire administrative process after selection, and, will be made aware of all issues linked to their life as a volunteer in France.

Information will be provided during & after the selection process by the France Volontaires team in India as well as by the Local Guardian of the Host institution during the tenure of the Volunteering mission.

Send your applications comprising a CV with photograph + a Motivation letter marked with "International Civic Service Mission, CDC - France" in the subject line to: <u>rajan.bhalla@france-volontaires.org</u> ; <u>ev.inde@france-volontaires.org</u>

Last date to receive applications: 15th June 2022

Selected candidate will then be accompanied by France Volontaires – India team for a predeparture training and to accomplish administrative procedures (visa, signing of Contract etc...). This will happen from September 2022 till the date of departure from India, i.e. November 2022

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Financial assistance for this Volunteering Mission:

- 473,03 € paid by the Government of France and transferred to the Bank Account of the Volunteer that will be provided in France
- 107,58 € paid by the Host Institution, paid through the funds consecrated to the mission through FV-CDC funds
- Accommodation provided on Campus of the educational establishment
- International transport costs entirely paid through funds of FV-CDC
- Health insurance provided and paid through FV-CDC funds + affiliation CPAM provided by the Government
- In case the Volunteer has a valid international Driving licence, a vehicle will be provided in order to facilitate transportation.

Desired results from this mission :

FOR THE CAMPUS OF THE AGRICULTURAL HIGHER-SECONDARY SCHOOL OF SARTENE :

- Creating a sustainable partnership with India
- Reinforcing the pedagogy of modern language teaching through the participation of a Volunteer who assists the teacher in implementing a language teaching methodology based on the concepts of SDGs

FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIC SERVICE VOLUNTEER FROM INDIA :

- Use this experience to develop competencies that will be beneficial professionally and help in personality development
- Promote inter-cultural dialogue amongst youth from South Asia and the Mediterranean region in Europe

SOME USEFUL INFORMATION :

- Corsica is the 4th biggest island in the Mediterannean Sea and is a mountainous region situated in the western Mediterranean Sea between mainland France and Italy. It is one of the 18 Administrative regions of France, and a part of 13 Metropolitan French regions.

- The Campus AgriCorsica of the *Lycée Agricole de Sartène*, as mentioned above, is situated in a rural region, and the Civic Service Volunteer from India will be residing on Campus alongside a vibrant community of residents comprising of students and staff-members. The Campus regularly welcomes visitors from all over the world.